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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: MUMTAZ SHAH                      ART UNIT: 3724  
SERIAL NO.: 09/403,796                      EXAMINER: CHARLES GOODMAN  
FILED: OCTOBER 25, 1999  
TITLE: CUTTING SHEET MATERIAL

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action, dated March 28, 2001 (Request for a Continued Prosecution Application ("C.P.A."), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53, and requisite filing fee of \$355.00 (small entity) being enclosed), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 20 to now read as follows:

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Date of Deposit June 27, 2001

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "Express Mail - Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Hon. Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D. C. 20231.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.53

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continued Prosecution Application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53, in response to the final Office Action, dated March 28, 2001, issued for the above-identified patent application.

The following papers and fees are enclosed:

1. "Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action," responsive to the outstanding Office Action, dated March 28,

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2001, is enclosed.

2. The filing fee of \$355.00 (small entity) for this Continued Prosecution Application is enclosed and is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the present application, as amended by the concurrently-filed "Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action," as follows:

Total Claims: 5 (numbered as Claims 20-24)

Independent Claims: 1 (i.e., Claim 20)

3. A check in the amount of \$355.00 (small entity) is enclosed to cover the Continued Prosecution Application filing fee for the above-identified patent application.

4. The undersigned hereby confirms that the Applicant remains entitled to claim Small Entity status for the above-identified patent application.


5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Applicant's Attorney, Account No. 19-0450, for any fees not herein provided for. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for billing purposes.

Accordingly, the prosecution of the above-identified patent application is requested to continue on the basis of the filing of this Request for a Continued Prosecution Application and on the basis of the concurrently-filed "Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action," with the

finality of the last Office Action being withdrawn. Such action is respectfully requested and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Enc.: 1. Check for \$355.00 (CPA Filing Fee); and,  
2. "Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action."

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Applicant's Attorney, Account No. 19-0450, for any additional fees which may be due in connection with the prosecution of the present application, but which have not otherwise been provided for.